well known flowers is given, for helping those who wish to form a floral dial, but from our own observation we have reason to differ with regard to some of the flowers. The subjoined list will be found nearly correct in mild clear weather, although a different state of the atmosphere has been found to retard the opening of some of them. The observations were made during the months of June and July.

		Opens Morning.		Closes.	
		H.	M.	H.	M.
Dandelion	Leontodon taraxacum	5	15	12	30
Goatsbeard	Tragopogon pratensis.....	5	30	10	45
Hawkweed Picris	Picris hieracioides	4	30	12	0
Wild Succory	Cichorium Intibus	4	15	9	0
Field Bindweed	Convolvulus arvensis	5	15	4	10
Common Nipplewort	Lapsana communis	5	10	10	45
Longrooted Cat'sear..	Hypochœris radicata	6	15	4	15
Mouse-ear Hawkweed	Hieracium pilosella	8	0	2	30
Purple Sandwort	Arenaria purpurea	9	15	2	30
White Water Lily	Nymphæa alba ..	7	0	5	0
Chickweed	Stellaria media ..	9	0	9	0

EVENING PRIMROSE.

(*Œnothéra biennis.*)

Class, Octandria. Order, Monogynia. N. O., Onagrariæ.

Grows about two feet high, it has a stem somewhat hairy, the leaves are nearly lance-shaped, and the flowers are sitting on the stem, without a footstalk. It expands its pale yellow cup during the evening, when its perfume is exhaled.

"Fair flower! thou shunn'st the glare of day,
Yet lov'st to open meekly bold,
To evening hues of sober grey,
Thy cup of paly gold.

"Be thine the offering, owing long
To thee, and to this pensive hour,
Of the bright tributary song,
Though transient as thy flower.

"I love to watch at silent eve
Thy scatter'd blossom's lonely light;
And have my inmost heart receive
The influence of that sight.

"I love, at such an hour to mark
Their beauty greet the light breeze chill,
And shine, 'mid shadows gathering dark
The garden's glory still.

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